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**SCHOOL FINANCE MEMORANDUM 01-039**

**TO:** School District Superintendents and Charter School Administrators

**FROM:** Lyle Friesen, Director of School Finance

**DATE:** January 14, 2002

**SUBJECT:** Increased Hours and days of Instruction for all school districts and charter schools

Proposition 301 made changes to ARS §15-341 changing the days of instruction to 180, by adding one day per year, beginning with School year 2001-2002, until Fiscal Year 2005-2006.

In fiscal year:	Five day week calendar days of instruction required	Four day week calendar days of instruction required
2001-2002	176	141
2002-2003	177	141
2003-2004	178	142
2004-2005	179	143
2005-2006 (and each year thereafter)	180	144

Proposition 301 also made changes to ARS §15-901, changing the hours of instruction for each grade level for the next 5 years. As stated in ARS §15-901:

Fiscal year	Preschool w/disabilities	KG	Grades 1, 2 & 3	Grads 4, 5 & 6	Grades 7 & 8	Grades 9, 10 & 11	Grade 12
2001-2002	360min. a week	348	696	870	1044	880	488
2002-2003	360min. a week	350	700	875	1050	885	488
2003-2004	360min. a week	352	704	880	1056	890	492
2004-2005	360min. a week	354	708	885	1062	895	492
2005-2006 each year thereafter	360min. a week	356	712	890	1068	900	492

Additional requirements for high school have changed also. Please review A.R.S. §15-901 for details.

These requirements must be included in your FY 2001-2002 school year calendar and schedule.

